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IN THE CLAIMS (There are no claim amendments in this RCE)

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- 1. (Previously presented) A process for the preparation of H₂O₂, wherein a first stage, electrolysis converts H₂SO₄ into H₂ and H₂S₂O₈, and in a second stage, said H₂S₂O₈ reacts to form H₂O₂ and H₂SO₄, wherein a membrane performs at least one selected from of a group consisting of: separation of said H₂ from said H₂S₂O₈, separation of said H₂ from said H₂S₂O₈ and said H₂SO₄, separation of said H₂O₂ from said H₂SO₄, separation of said H₂O₂ from said H₂S₂O₈, separation of said H₂O₂ and H₂O from said H₂SO₄, separation of said H₂O₂ from said H₂SO₄ and said H₂S₂O₈, separation of said H₂O₂ from said H₂SO₄ and said H₂S₂O₈, separation of said H₂O from H₂SO₄, separation of said H₂SO₄ from said H₂SO₈ and any combination therein.
- 2. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein said H_2SO_4 and said $H_2S_2O_8$ is reacted with H_2O in the second stage.
- 3. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein said membrane comprises organic materials.
- 4. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein said membrane comprises inorganic materials.
- 5. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein said H₂SO₄ from said second stage is recycled to said first stage.
- 6. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein said electrolysis is performed across an electrically charged membrane.
 - 7. Please cancel this claim.

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- 8. (Previously presented) The process of claim 7, wherein said electrodes comprise at least one selected from the group consisting of: zirconium, hastelloy, ceramic, titanium and any combination therein.
- 9. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, further comprising a step of distillation.
- 10. (Previously presented) The process of claim 9, wherein said distillation separates said H₂ from at least one of said H₂SO₄ and said H₂S₂O₈.
- 11. (Previously presented) The process of claim 9, wherein said distillation separates said H_2O_2 from at least one of said H_2SO_4 and said $H_2S_2O_8$.
- 12. (Previously presented) The process of claim 9, wherein said distillation separates said H₂O from at least one of said H₂SO₄ and said H₂S₂O₈.
- 13. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein said second stage contains an excess of said H_2O , and wherein

an aqueous concentration of said H₂O₂ is generated.

- 14. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, further comprising the addition of H_2O to said H_2O_2 .
- 15. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein there is no vehicular transportation of said H_2O_2 .
- 16. (Previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein said H₂ is utilized in a fuel cell to generate electricity.

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17. (Previously presented) The process of claim 16, wherein at least a portion of said electricity is used for the electrolytic conversion of said H_2SO_4 into said H_2 and said H_2SO_8 .

Please cancel claims 18 through 34.